

# 2008 CLOSED CONGRESSIONAL PRIMARY ELECTIONS

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**Secretary of State**

# 2008 Closed Congressional Primary (“CCP”)

- 2008 is the first CCP since 1974.
- The Louisiana Legislature adopted the CCP in 2006.
- The CCP is a CLOSED party primary, but open to unaffiliated voters unless a party chooses to close their primary to unaffiliated voters.
- For 2008, only the Republican Party has closed its primary to unaffiliated voters.
- Unaffiliated voters are those registered with non-recognized parties or registered with no party. (“other” and “none”, but not Dem., Grn., Lbt., Ref. or Rep.

# CCP Election Dates

- Qualifying: July 9-11, 2008.
- September 6, 2008 1<sup>st</sup> Party Primary.
- October 4, 2008 2<sup>nd</sup> Party Primary/Open Primary.
- November 4, 2008 Open General/Presidential/Congressional General.

- What's on the ballot?
- Who may vote?

Refer to the following slides

# What's on September 6<sup>th</sup> ballot?

- U.S. Rep., 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Dist. – Democratic 1<sup>st</sup> party primary
  - U.S. Rep., 4<sup>th</sup> Dist. – Democratic & Republican 1<sup>st</sup> party primaries
  - U.S. Rep. 5<sup>th</sup> Dist. – Republican 1<sup>st</sup> party primary only
  - *Bossier & St. Landry parishes have a prop.*
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- *U.S. Rep., 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Congressional Districts – all candidates go to the Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> General Election ballot.*
  - *U.S. Rep., 3<sup>rd</sup> District, elected unopposed.*
  - *U.S. Senate, statewide – all candidates go to the Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> General Election ballot.*

# Parishes with a September 6<sup>th</sup> Election

- District 1, U.S. Rep. – St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, Washington, Jefferson (partial), Orleans (partial), and St. Charles (partial).
- District 2, U.S. Rep. – Jefferson (partial), and Orleans (partial).
- District 4, U.S. Rep. – Beauregard, Bienville, Bossier, Caddo, Claiborne, DeSoto, Grant, Natchitoches, Red River, Sabine, Vernon, Webster, and Allen (partial).
- District 5, U.S. Rep – Avoyelles, Caldwell, Catahoula, Concordia, East Carroll, Franklin, Jackson, LaSalle, Lincoln, Madison, Morehouse, Ouachita, Rapides, Richland, Tensas, Union, West Carroll, Winn, Allen (partial), Evangeline (partial), Iberville (partial), and Pt. Coupee (partial).

# **VOTING IN THE 2008 1<sup>st</sup> CLOSED CONGRESSIONAL**

## **PRIMARY**

### **SEPTEMBER 6, 2008**

- **First, determine Party Registration**
- Commissioner must look at the precinct register for each voter and determine the voter's party registration.
- The abbreviations for political party are found in the precinct register in the last column on the right labeled "**PRTY**".
- Voters registered with recognized parties (Democratic, Republican, Green, Libertarian, and Reform) will have one of these abbreviations: **DEM, REP, GRN, LBT, and RFM**.
- Unaffiliated voters (registered with non-recognized political parties or with no political party) will have one of these abbreviations: **OTHER** and **NONE**.
- Based on the voter's party registration, refer to the following chart to determine how a voter may vote on election day.
- **There will be no local races/issues on this ballot, except in Bossier Parish & St. Landry Parish (follow Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> procedures).**

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Qualifying Period: July 9-11, 2008			Who Can Vote
Election Date	Type of Election	Offices in Election	
<b>September 6, 2008</b>	Congressional 1 <sup>st</sup> Party Primary	<b>U. S. Representative,</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Dist., Dem. Primary 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dist., Dem. Primary 4 <sup>th</sup> Dist., Dem. & Rep. Primary 5 <sup>th</sup> Dist., Rep. Primary (no primaries in 6 <sup>th</sup> & 7 <sup>th</sup> Dist.; no election in 3 <sup>rd</sup> ) <i>Bossier &amp; St. Landry                      Parishes only – prop</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Voters registered with the Democratic Party (DEM) may vote for Democratic candidates.</li> <li>•Voters registered with the Republican Party (REP) may vote for Republican candidates.</li> <li>•Unaffiliated voters who are registered with a non-recognized political party (OTHER) or with no political party (NONE) may choose to vote for Democratic candidates.</li> <li>•<u>In Bossier &amp; St. Landry parishes only</u>, all eligible voters, regardless of party, may vote on the local prop.</li> <li>•<i>There is NO primary for Green candidates, Libertarian candidates, or Reform candidates. Therefore, voters registered with these parties may vote for Congress in the General Election.</i></li> </ul>
<b>October 4, 2008</b>	Congressional 2 <sup>nd</sup> Party Primary/ Open Primary	<b>U. S. Representative</b> Run-off, if any: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dist., Dem. Party 4 <sup>th</sup> Dist., Dem. & Rep. Party <b>State/Local races &amp;                      props</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Same as above for Congress.</li> <li>•All eligible voters, regardless of party, may vote for state &amp; local races and props.</li> </ul>
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**Recognized political parties: Democratic, Republican, Green, Libertarian, and Reform.**



# EXAMPLE: PRECINCT REGISTER

Dist/Ward: 02 Precinct: 031 Election Date: 11/17/2007 Parish: EAST BATON ROUGE - 17 Page: 3

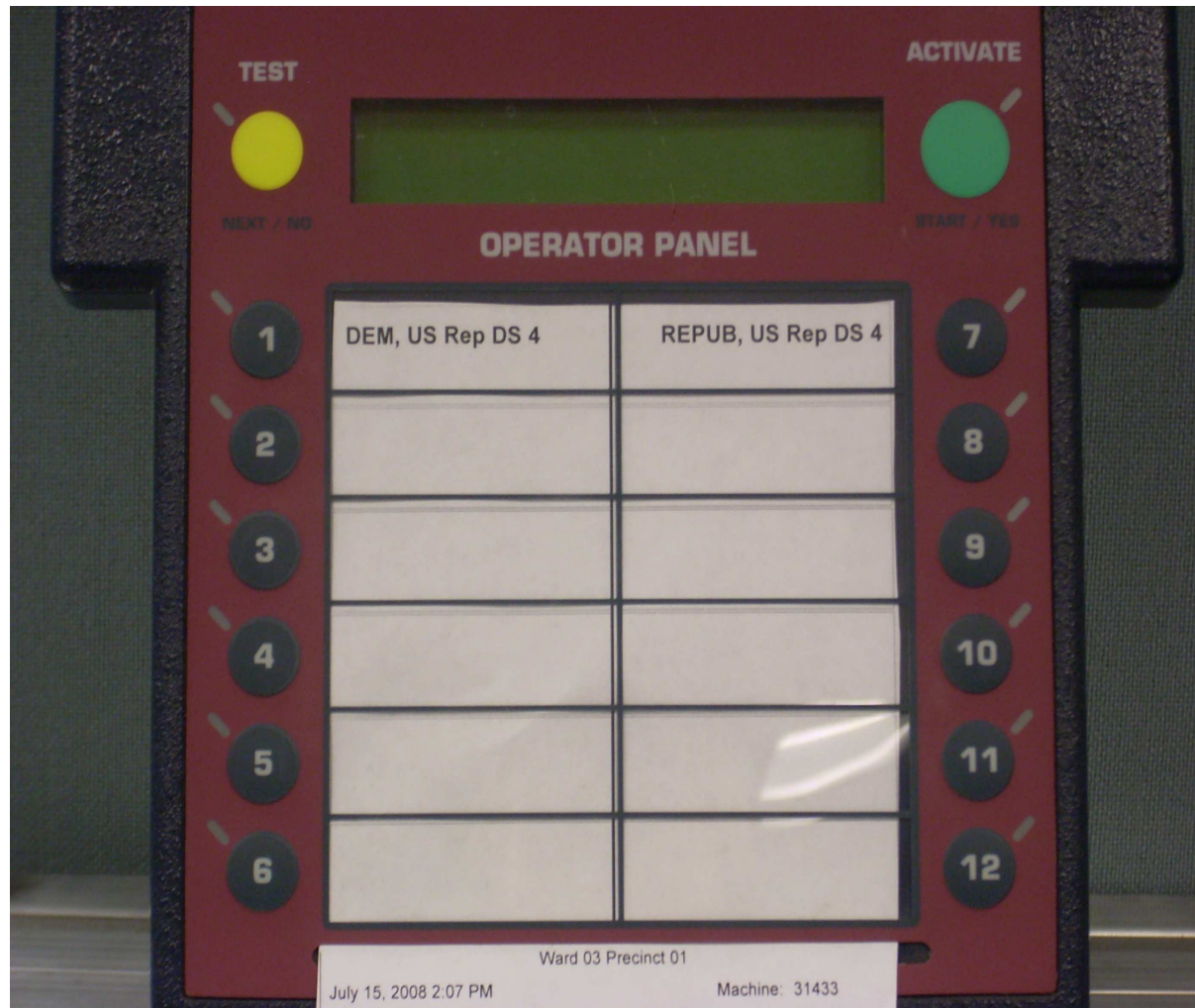
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**EXAMPLE: NO LOCAL RACE/ISSUE AND  
INSIDE THE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**  
September 6<sup>th</sup> example



# **NO LOCAL RACE/ISSUE** **AND INSIDE THE** **CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**

- Depending on what primaries are on the ballot, Commissioners will select either:
  - Button 1: [DEM, US Rep Ds X](#); or
  - Button 7: [REPUBLIC, US Rep Ds X](#)

In those Parishes with more than one (1) Congressional District, commissioners will select the appropriate district for the voter:

(Allen, Ascension, Evangeline, Iberville, Jefferson, Orleans, Pt. Coupee, and St. Charles)

- Button 1: [DEM, US Rep Ds X](#); or
- Button 3: [DEM, US Rep Ds XX](#); or
- Button 7: [REPUBLIC, US Rep Ds X](#); or
- Button 9: [REPUBLIC, US Rep Ds XX](#)

# NO LOCAL RACE/ISSUE

## September 6, 2008

- ✓ 1<sup>st</sup> determine Party Affiliation of the voter by looking at the Precinct Register in the “PRTY” column (last column to the right). *See example on next slide.*
  - ✓ If the voter is a registered [Democrat, press button 1 or button 3](#) then the green activate button to set the machine for the voter.
  - ✓ If the voter is a registered [Republican, press button 7 or button 9](#) then the green activate button to set the machine for the voter.
  - ✓ If the voter is registered as “LBT”, “RFM”, “GRN”, they are **NOT** eligible to vote, except by provisional ballot if they certify that they are registered either DEM, REP, OTHER or NONE, indicating that the precinct register is incorrect.
- ✓ If the voter is registered as “OTHER” or “NONE”, these unaffiliated voters are allowed to choose to vote the Democratic ballot. If they choose the Democratic ballot you will select [Button 1 or Button 3](#) only, then press the green activate button to set the machine for the voter.
- ✓ This process will light up the appropriate races on the face of the ballot for each voter.
- ✓ ***Bossier Parish needs to follow procedures on slides for Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> election. St. Landry Parish will only have a prop election.***

# What's on the Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> ballot?

- Possible 2<sup>nd</sup> party primary for the following:
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional Dist., - Democratic Party
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Congressional Dist., - Dem. & Rep. Parties
- Open Primary Election for state & local offices
- Props

# VOTING IN THE 2008 2<sup>nd</sup> CLOSED CONGRESSIONAL

## PRIMARY & Open Primary

### October 4, 2008

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- Second, determine the District if there is a local race/issue on the ballot.
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## INSIDE THE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT AND LOCAL RACE/ISSUE on October 4th ballot

- If your parish has a local race/issue on the October 4th ballot, the operator panel may appear as the example photo on the following slide.
- You will notice that the operator panel has all Democrat selections on the left and all Republican selections on the right for Congress, including your inside local race/issue. All other party inside local race/issue selections will be bottom left.
- Select the lockout that applies to the voter by their party and district.

# EXAMPLE: LOCAL RACE/ISSUE

## October 4th ballot

*may also include Congressional Runoffs*



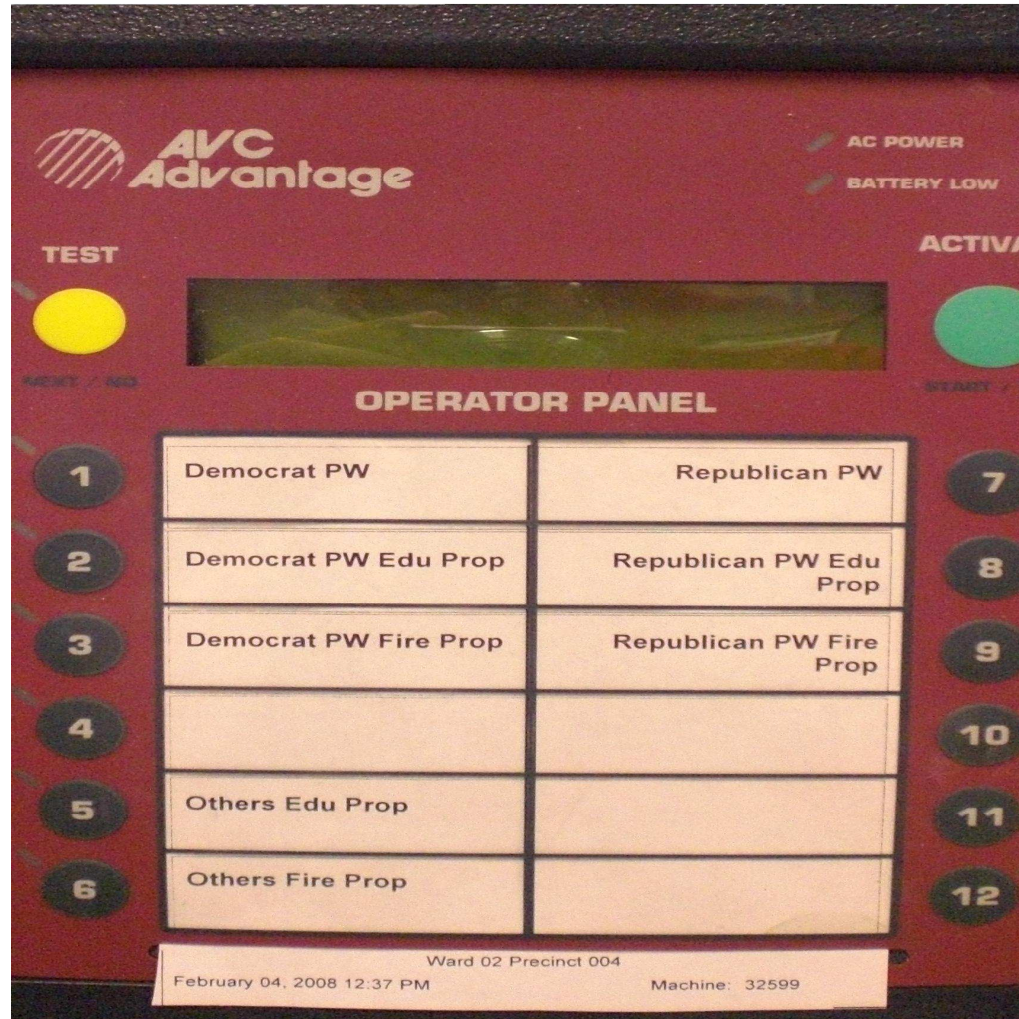
# LOCAL RACE/ISSUE

October 4, 2008

- ❖ For all voters who are **not** registered as a Democrat or a Republican, **BUT are eligible voters of the district for local race/issue**, there is an option switch for them to vote on local race/issue. (*includes LBT, RFM, GRN, and includes OTHER/NONE who choose NOT to vote Democrat ballot*)
- ❖ On the following photo example, the lockout selection is button 5 or 6 depending on the district. **This would be the selection made for all eligible voters that are not registered as Democrat or Republican, EXCEPT for those voters registered as “NONE” or “OTHER” who choose to vote the Democrat ballot and vote on their local race/issue.**
- ❖ Please remember to contact your Registrar of Voters should there be any questions regarding the eligibility of any voter prior to making a selection on the operator panel.

October 4, 2008

EXAMPLE: **button 5 or 6** are for all eligible voters for local race/issue who are NOT registered REP or DEM or who are registered as “OTHER” or “NONE” and do not choose to vote the DEM ballot.



**VOTING IN THE 2008 CONGRESSIONAL  
GENERAL/PRESIDENTIAL/Open General  
November 4, 2008**

- All eligible voters, regardless of party, may vote for any candidate for Congress and President.
- *There will be NO Congressional election in the 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> District. 3<sup>rd</sup> elected unopposed, 5<sup>th</sup> elected in 1<sup>st</sup> party primary.*
- If there is a local race/issue on the ballot that is not parish wide, commissioner must check the “Districts” column on the precinct register BEFORE activating the machine.



# CORRECTING ERRORS

If you should make an error in selection and activated the machine with the wrong ballot (*example: activating the machine with a Democratic ballot, but the voter is a registered Republican*), simply press the other button (*in this example the REP button*) and press activate.

However, once the voter has voted and pressed the cast vote button, his vote has been counted and the error is not able to be corrected.

For any additional information or questions  
regarding lock outs, please contact

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# **ELECTION DAY **PROVISIONAL VOTING** PROCEDURES 2008 CLOSED CONGRESSIONAL AND OPEN PRIMARY ELECTIONS (SEPTEMBER 6 AND OCTOBER 4)**

**NOTE:** All forms and envelopes (except provisional ballots) used with provisional voting will be printed with purple ink.

**A provisional voter must certify that he is a registered voter in the parish and is eligible to vote in the election for federal office.**

**Provisional voting is authorized only for in person early voting and election day voting in a federal election.**



# ELECTION DAY **PROVISIONAL VOTING** PROCEDURES 2008 CLOSED CONGRESSIONAL AND OPEN PRIMARY ELECTIONS (SEPTEMBER 6 AND OCTOBER 4)

- I. **TYPE OF ELECTION:** Provisional voting applies **only to elections for federal office.** (Presidential Preference Primary, U. S. President, U. S. Senator, and/or U. S. Representative)
- II. **TYPE OF PROVISIONAL VOTER:** Provisional voting on election day applies to four categories of voters:
  - A. A person whose name **does not** appear in the precinct register and who is **not authorized** by the registrar/deputy registrar to vote by PRECINCT REGISTER CORRECTION (PRC) form;
  - B. A voter who is challenged and the majority of the commissioners determine that the challenge is valid;
  - C. A voter who the commissioner(s) asserts is **not eligible** to vote for federal office; or
  - D. A voter who votes in a federal election during court ordered extended polling hours.

# ELECTION DAY **PROVISIONAL VOTING** PROCEDURES 2008 CLOSED CONGRESSIONAL AND OPEN PRIMARY ELECTIONS (SEPTEMBER 6 AND OCTOBER 4)

## III. PRECINCT VOTING:

A. If the voter's name does not appear in the precinct register, the commissioner contacts the registrar of voters/deputy registrar, who either:

- Authorizes the voter to vote by PRECINCT REGISTER CORRECTION (PRC) form.  
**(NOTE: This voter would not be a provisional voter and would be allowed to vote on the voting machine.);**

OR

- Does not authorize the voter to vote by PRECINCT REGISTER CORRECTION (PRC) form. The voter may cast **ONLY** a paper provisional ballot for U.S. Representative/U.S. Senator – Republican Party or U.S. Representative – Democratic Party (VOTER'S CHOICE). Voter must certify that he is **eligible** to vote in the election, meaning that he is registered either DEM, REP, OTHER or NONE.

**(NOTE: This voter would be a provisional voter and would NOT be allowed to vote on the voting machine.)**

**NOTE:** If the commissioner cannot contact the registrar of voters in the parish, the commissioner should contact the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-883-2805.

# ELECTION DAY **PROVISIONAL VOTING** PROCEDURES 2008 CLOSED CONGRESSIONAL AND OPEN PRIMARY ELECTIONS (SEPTEMBER 6 AND OCTOBER 4)

## III. PRECINCT VOTING: (cont.)

B. If the voter's name is in the precinct register, the voter's right to vote is challenged and a majority of the commissioners determine the challenge is valid:

The voter may cast **ONLY** a paper provisional ballot for either U.S. Representative/U.S. Senate – Republican Party or U.S. Representative – Democratic Party (VOTER'S CHOICE). (**NOTE**: This voter would be a provisional voter and would **NOT** be allowed to vote on the voting machine.)

C. If the voter's name is in the precinct register and the commissioner(s) asserts the voter is **not eligible** to vote for federal office:

1) If the voter is not eligible to vote for federal office, but **is eligible** to vote on local race(s) or proposition(s), the voter may cast a paper provisional ballot for U.S. Representative/U.S. Senate – Republican Party or U.S. Representative – Democratic Party (VOTER'S CHOICE) and the voter would be allowed to vote on the voting machine for local race(s) or proposition(s). (**NOTE**: This voter would be a provisional voter for federal office.)

2) If the voter is not eligible to vote for federal office and the voter **is not** eligible to vote on local race(s) or propositions, the voter may cast **ONLY** a paper provisional ballot for U.S. Representative/U.S. Senate – Republican Party or U.S. Representative – Democratic Party (VOTER'S CHOICE) and the voter **would not** be allowed to vote on the voting machine. (**NOTE**: This voter would be a provisional voter.)

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## III. PRECINCT VOTING: (cont.)

C. If the voter's name is in the precinct register and the commissioner(s) asserts the voter is **not eligible** to vote for federal office:

Voters who **are not** eligible to vote for U.S. Representative/U.S. Senator - Republican Party:

Any voter who is not registered with the Republican Party.

Voters who **are not** eligible to vote for U.S. Representative – Democratic Party:

A voter who is registered with the Green Party.

A voter who is registered with the Libertarian Party.

A voter who is registered with the Reform Party.

A voter who is registered with the Republican Party.

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## III. PRECINCT VOTING: (cont.)

D. A voter who votes during court ordered extended poll hours would be a provisional voter for federal office and the procedures to follow are set forth in Section IV.

E. Provisional voting procedures for voters who **do not** have any local race(s) or proposition(s) on the ballot are as follows:

1a) Have the voter complete the PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPE (AFF-PB) flap and sign the certificate on the flap in the presence of a commissioner.

b) Republican Party Primary - In the parishes of Allen, Ascension, Evangeline, Iberville, Jefferson, Orleans, Pointe Coupee and St. Charles, have the voter complete two PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPE (AFF-PB) flaps and sign the certificates on the flaps in the presence of a commissioner.

2) Print the voter's name and have the voter sign the precinct register on the page marked "Provisional Voters".

3) Write the provisional voter's name on the **last two pages** of the POLL LIST (PL-53), beginning with Number 1681.

4) The commissioner shall fill in the "VOTED AT PRECINCT No." on the PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPE (AFF-PB) flap. Republican Party Primary - In the parishes of Allen, Ascension, Evangeline, Iberville, Jefferson, Orleans, Pointe Coupee and St. Charles, the commissioner shall fill in the "VOTED AT PRECINCT No." on each PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPE (AFF-PB) flap.

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## III. PRECINCT VOTING:

E. Provisional voting procedures for voters who **do not** have any local race(s) or proposition(s) on the ballot are as follows: (cont. from previous slide)

5) Obtain a numbered paper provisional ballot for U.S. Representative/U.S. Senator – Republican Party or U.S. Representative – Democratic Party (Voter's Choice); THE VOTER MAY VOTE ONLY IN ONE PARTY'S PRIMARY, remove the ballot number stub from the bottom right corner of the ballot, and write the provisional ballot number in **both places** on the completed PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPE (AFF-PB) flap. Republican Party Primary - In the parishes of Allen, Ascension, Evangeline, Iberville, Jefferson, Orleans, Pointe Coupee and St. Charles, obtain a numbered paper provisional ballot for U.S. Representative and U.S. Senator, remove the ballot number stub from the bottom right corner of each ballot, and write the provisional ballot number in **both places** on each completed PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPE (AFF-PB) flap.

6) Give the provisional ballot(s) and the PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPE(S) (AFF-PB) to the voter, and allow him to mark the provisional ballot(s) in a manner and in an area that protects the secrecy of his vote.

7) Have the voter seal the marked provisional ballot(s) into the PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPE(S) (AFF-PB) and return it to the commissioner.

8) The commissioner shall remove **ONLY the red "To The Provisional Voter" portion** from the PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPE (AFF-PB) flap(s) and give it to the voter. **NOTE:** Make sure the remainder of the PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPE (AFF-PB) flap(s) is still attached to the envelope.

9) The commissioner shall place the sealed PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPE(S) (AFF-PB) and the provisional ballot number stub(s) inside the PROVISIONAL BALLOT ENVELOPE (PB).

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## III. PRECINCT VOTING: (cont.)

F. Provisional voting procedures for voters who are casting a paper provisional ballot for federal office who have local race(s) or proposition(s) on the ballot:

1) Follow the procedures in Section IIIE., including writing the provisional voter's name in the POLL LIST (PL-53) twice: once on the beginning pages when he casts his local race(s) or proposition(s) ballot on the voting machine and once on the **last two pages** beginning with Number 1681.

2) Casting a ballot on the voting machine for local race(s) or proposition(s): The voter will follow the regular procedures set forth in the election code when casting the ballot on the voting machine, including signing the precinct register where his name is listed. The voter will vote on the voting machine for all local issue(s) or proposition(s) for which he is eligible and he **will not** be permitted to vote on the voting machine for federal office.

G. When the commissioners close the polls on election night, the following items are placed into the PROVISIONAL BALLOT ENVELOPE (PB) and delivered to the clerk of court:

- a. PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPES (AFF-PB);
- b. Unused provisional ballots; and
- c. Ballot number stubs from voted provisional ballots.

# ELECTION DAY **PROVISIONAL VOTING** PROCEDURES 2008 CLOSED CONGRESSIONAL AND OPEN PRIMARY ELECTIONS (SEPTEMBER 6 AND OCTOBER 4)

## IV. PROVISIONAL VOTING DURING COURT ORDERED EXTENDED POLL HOURS (PRECINCT VOTING ONLY):

A. If polling hours are extended by court order, the voter shall vote:

- For federal office **only** on a paper provisional ballot during the extended period. (No voting on the voting machine!)

1) If the voter is registered with the Republican Party, the voter may cast a paper provisional ballot for U.S. Representative and U.S. Senate – Republican Party. If the voter is registered with the Democratic Party, registered with a non-recognized political party or is registered with no party affiliation, the voter may cast a paper provisional ballot for U.S. Representative – Democratic Party.

2) If the voter has not been authorized by the registrar/deputy registrar to vote by PRECINCT REGISTER CORRECTION (PRC) form; the voter is challenged and the majority of the commissioners determine that the challenge is valid; or the commissioner(s) asserts the voter is not eligible to vote for federal office, the voter may cast a paper provisional ballot for U.S. Representative and U.S. Senate – Republican Party or U.S. Representative – Democratic Party. (Voter's Choice; THE VOTER MAY VOTE ONLY IN ONE PARTY'S PRIMARY.)



# **ELECTION DAY **PROVISIONAL VOTING** PROCEDURES 2008 CLOSED CONGRESSIONAL AND OPEN PRIMARY ELECTIONS (SEPTEMBER 6 AND OCTOBER 4)**

## **IV. PROVISIONAL VOTING DURING COURT ORDERED EXTENDED POLL HOURS (PRECINCT VOTING ONLY): (cont.)**

B. Procedures to cast a paper provisional ballot for federal office:

Follow the procedures in IIIE. for Precinct Voting.

C. When the commissioners close the polls on election night at the end of the court ordered extended poll hours, the following items are placed into the PROVISIONAL BALLOT – EXTENDED POLL HOURS ENVELOPE (PB-EX) and delivered to the clerk of court:

- a. PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPES (AFF-PB) sealed by the extended hours voters;
- b. Unused provisional ballots; and
- c. Ballot number stubs from voted provisional ballots.

# **PRECINCT VOTING – PROVISIONAL VOTING CHECKLIST**

## **2008 CLOSED CONGRESSIONAL AND OPEN PRIMARY ELECTIONS**

<p>The voter's name is <b>NOT</b> in the precinct register, <b>contact the Registrar of Voters or contact the Secretary of State at 800-883-2805.</b></p>	Action	Result
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If the registrar or secretary of state determines that the voter's name was inadvertently omitted from the precinct register, the voter needs to complete a Precinct Register Correction (PRC) form.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Voter is allowed to vote for all eligible offices (U.S. Rep./U.S. Sen. - Republican Party if registered with the Republican Party (REP); U.S. Rep. - Democratic Party, if registered with the Democratic Party (DEM), if registered with a non-recognized political party (OTHER) or if registered with no political party (NONE); and local race/issue) on the <u>voting machine</u> – <b>VOTER IS <u>NOT</u> A PROVISIONAL VOTER.</b></li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If the registrar or secretary of state confirms that the voter is in the wrong precinct, encourage the voter to go to the correct precinct to vote. If he refuses, allow the voter to vote a <u>paper</u> provisional ballot for federal office.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Voter may cast a <u>paper</u> provisional ballot for either U.S. Rep./U.S. Sen. - Republican Party or U.S. Rep. - Democratic Party (voter's choice) - <b>VOTER IS A PROVISIONAL VOTER.</b></li> <li>Voter is <b><u>NOT</u></b> allowed to vote on the voting machine.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If the registrar or secretary of state confirms that the voter is <b>NOT</b> eligible to vote, allow the voter to vote a <u>paper</u> provisional ballot for federal office.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Voter may cast a <u>paper</u> provisional ballot for either U.S. Rep./U.S. Sen. - Republican Party or U.S. Rep. - Democratic Party (voter's choice) - <b>VOTER IS A PROVISIONAL VOTER.</b></li> <li>Voter is <b><u>NOT</u></b> allowed to vote on the voting machine.</li> </ul>

# **PRECINCT VOTING – PROVISIONAL VOTING CHECKLIST**

## **2008 CLOSED CONGRESSIONAL AND OPEN PRIMARY ELECTIONS**

	Action	Result
The voter's name is in the precinct register and <b>"ADDRESS CONFIRMATION REQUIRED"</b> is in the signature block.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Voter completes Address Confirmation (ACC) form;</li> <li>• If the voter indicates that it has been <b>more than 3 months</b> since he moved from the address listed in the precinct register to an address outside the parish;</li> <li>• Voter may <b>NOT</b> vote on the voting machine.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Voter may cast a <u>paper</u> provisional ballot for either U.S. Rep./U.S. Sen. - Republican Party or U.S. Rep. - Democratic Party (voter's choice) - <b>VOTER IS A PROVISIONAL VOTER.</b></li> <li>• Voter is <b>NOT</b> allowed to vote on the voting machine.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Voter completes Address Confirmation (ACC) form;</li> <li>• If the voter indicates that he has NOT changed his address, has moved to a new address within the parish, or has moved to an address outside the parish <b>less than 3 months ago</b>; and</li> <li>• Voter provides photo identification.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Voter is allowed to vote for all eligible offices (U.S. Rep./U.S. Sen. - Republican Party if registered with the Republican Party (REP); U.S. Rep. - Democratic Party if registered with the Democratic Party (DEM), if registered with a non-recognized political party (OTHER) or if registered with no political party (NONE); and local race/issue) on the <u>voting machine</u> - <b>VOTER IS NOT A PROVISIONAL VOTER.</b></li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Voter completes Address Confirmation (ACC) form;</li> <li>• If the voter indicates that he has NOT changed his address, has moved to a new address within the parish, or has moved to an address outside the parish <b>less than 3 months ago</b>; and</li> <li>• Voter <b>does NOT</b> provide photo identification.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Voter completes a Voter Identification Affidavit (AV-34) form; and</li> <li>• Voter is allowed to vote for all eligible offices (U.S. Rep./U.S. Sen. - Republican Party if registered with the Republican Party (REP); U.S. Rep. - Democratic Party if registered with the Democratic Party (DEM), if registered with a non-recognized political party (OTHER) or if registered with no political party (NONE); and local race/issue) on the <u>voting machine</u> - <b>VOTER IS NOT A PROVISIONAL VOTER.</b></li> </ul>

# **PRECINCT VOTING – PROVISIONAL VOTING CHECKLIST**

## **2008 CLOSED CONGRESSIONAL AND OPEN PRIMARY ELECTIONS**

	Action	Result
<p>The voter's name is in the precinct register, but the voter is <b>ineligible</b> to vote in the election for federal office <b>and</b>, if applicable in your parish, the voter is ineligible to vote on any local race(s) or proposition(s); or the voter is challenged.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If a challenge is made that the voter is ineligible to vote, and a majority vote of the commissioners determine that the challenge is <b>VALID</b> (*If NOT VALID, proceed normally.); or if the commissioner asserts that the voter is ineligible to vote in the election for federal office <b>and</b>, if applicable in your parish, the voter is ineligible to vote on any local race(s) or proposition(s).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Voter may cast a <u>paper</u> provisional ballot for either U.S. Rep./U.S. Sen. - Republican Party or U.S. Rep. - Democratic Party (voter's choice) - <b>VOTER IS A PROVISIONAL VOTER.</b></li> <li>Voter is <b><u>NOT</u></b> allowed to vote on the voting machine.</li> </ul>
<p>The voter's name is in the precinct register, but the voter is ineligible to vote for federal office <b>and</b>, if applicable in your parish, the voter is <b>eligible</b> to vote on local race(s) or proposition(s).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If the commissioner asserts that the voter is ineligible to vote in the election for federal office <b>and</b>, if applicable in your parish, the voter is eligible to vote on any local race(s) or proposition(s).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Voter may cast a <u>paper</u> provisional ballot for either the U.S. Rep./U.S. Sen. - Republican Party or U.S. Rep. - Democratic Party (voter's choice) - <b>VOTER IS A PROVISIONAL VOTER FOR FEDERAL OFFICE.</b></li> <li>Voter <b><u>is</u></b> allowed to vote on the voting machine for eligible local race(s) or propositions(s).</li> </ul>

# **ELECTION DAY **PROVISIONAL VOTING** PROCEDURES 2008 PRESIDENTIAL, CONGRESSIONAL AND OPEN **GENERAL** ELECTIONS (NOVEMBER 4, 2008)**

**NOTE:** All forms and envelopes (except provisional ballots) used with provisional voting will be printed with purple ink.

**A provisional voter must certify that he is a registered voter in the parish and is eligible to vote in the election for federal office.**

**Provisional voting is authorized only for in person early voting and election day voting in a federal election.**

# ELECTION DAY **PROVISIONAL VOTING** PROCEDURES 2008 CLOSED CONGRESSIONAL **GENERAL** ELECTION

**I. TYPE OF ELECTION:** Provisional voting applies **only to elections for federal office.** (Presidential Preference Primary, U. S. President, U. S. Senator, and/or U. S. Representative)

**II. TYPE OF PROVISIONAL VOTER:** Provisional voting on election day applies to three categories of voters:

A. A person whose name **does not** appear in the precinct register and who is **not authorized** by the registrar/deputy registrar to vote by **PRECINCT REGISTER CORRECTION (PRC)** form;

B. A voter who is challenged and the majority of the commissioners determine that the challenge is valid; or

C. A voter who votes in a federal election during court ordered extended poll hours.

# ELECTION DAY **PROVISIONAL VOTING** PROCEDURES 2008 CLOSED CONGRESSIONAL **GENERAL** ELECTION

## III. PRECINCT VOTING:

A. If the voter's name does not appear in the precinct register, the commissioner contacts the registrar of voters/deputy registrar, who either:

- Authorizes the voter to vote by PRECINCT REGISTER CORRECTION (PRC) form. (**NOTE**: This voter would not be a provisional voter and would be allowed to vote on the voting machine.);

OR

- Does not authorize the voter to vote by PRECINCT REGISTER CORRECTION (PRC) form. The voter may cast **ONLY** a paper provisional ballot for U.S. President, U.S. Representative and U.S. Senate. (**NOTE**: This voter would be a provisional voter and would **NOT** be allowed to vote on the voting machine.)

**NOTE**: If the commissioner cannot contact the registrar of voters in the parish, the commissioner should contact the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-883-2805.

# ELECTION DAY **PROVISIONAL VOTING** PROCEDURES

## 2008 CLOSED CONGRESSIONAL **GENERAL** ELECTION

### III. PRECINCT VOTING: (cont.)

B. If the voter's name is in the precinct register, the voter's right to vote is challenged and a majority of the commissioners determine the challenge is valid:

\* The voter may cast **ONLY** a paper provisional ballot for U.S. President, U.S. Representative and U.S. Senate. **(NOTE: This voter would be a provisional voter and would NOT be allowed to vote on the voting machine.)**

C. A voter who votes during court ordered extended poll hours would be a provisional voter for U.S. President, U.S. Representative and U.S. Senate and the procedures to follow are set forth in Section IV.

D. Provisional voting procedures:

- 1) Have the voter complete the PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPE (AFF-PB) flap and sign the certificate on the flap in the presence of a commissioner. In the parishes of Allen, Ascension, Evangeline, Iberville, Jefferson, Orleans, Pointe Coupee and St. Charles, have the voter complete two PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPE (AFF-PB) flaps and sign the certificates on the flaps in the presence of a commissioner.

- 2) Print the voter's name and have the voter sign the precinct register on the page marked "Provisional Voters".

- 3) Write the provisional voter's name on the **last two pages** of the POLL LIST (PL-53), beginning with Number 1681.



# ELECTION DAY **PROVISIONAL VOTING** PROCEDURES

## 2008 CLOSED CONGRESSIONAL **GENERAL** ELECTION

### III. PRECINCT VOTING:

D. Provisional voting procedures: (cont. from previous slide)

4) The commissioner shall fill in the "VOTED AT PRECINCT No." on the PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPE (AFF-PB) flap. In the parishes of Allen, Ascension, Evangeline, Iberville, Jefferson, Orleans, Pointe Coupee and St. Charles, the commissioner shall fill in the "VOTED AT PRECINCT No." on the PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPE (AFF-PB) flaps.

5) Obtain a numbered paper provisional ballot for U.S. President, U.S. Representative and U.S. Senate, remove the ballot number stub from the bottom right corner of the ballot, and write the provisional ballot number in **both places** on the completed PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPE (AFF-PB) flap. In the parishes of Allen, Ascension, Evangeline, Iberville, Jefferson, Orleans, Pointe Coupee and St. Charles, obtain a numbered paper provisional ballot for U.S. President/U.S. Senate and U.S. Representative, remove the ballot number stub from the bottom right corner of each ballot, and write the provisional ballot number in **both places** on the completed PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPE (AFF-PB) flaps.

6) Give the provisional ballot(s) and the PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPE(S) (AFF-PB) to the voter, and allow him to mark the provisional ballot(s) in a manner and in an area that protects the secrecy of his vote.

7) Have the voter seal the marked provisional ballot(s) into the PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPE(S) (AFF-PB) and return it to the commissioner.

8) The commissioner shall remove **ONLY the red "To The Provisional Voter" portion** from the PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPE (AFF-PB) flap(s) and give it to the voter. **NOTE:** Make sure the remainder of the PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPE (AFF-PB) flap(s) is still attached to the envelope.

# ELECTION DAY **PROVISIONAL VOTING** PROCEDURES

## 2008 CLOSED CONGRESSIONAL **GENERAL** ELECTION

### III. PRECINCT VOTING:

D. Provisional voting procedures: (cont. from previous slide)

9. The commissioner shall place the sealed PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPE(S) (AFF-PB) and the provisional ballot number stub(s) inside the PROVISIONAL BALLOT ENVELOPE (PB).

E. When the commissioners close the polls on election night, the following items are placed into the PROVISIONAL BALLOT ENVELOPE (PB) and delivered to the clerk of court:

- a. PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPES (AFF-PB);
- b. Unused provisional ballots; and
- c. Ballot number stubs from voted provisional ballots.

# ELECTION DAY **PROVISIONAL VOTING** PROCEDURES 2008 CLOSED CONGRESSIONAL **GENERAL** ELECTION

## IV. PROVISIONAL VOTING DURING COURT ORDERED EXTENDED POLL HOURS (PRECINCT VOTING ONLY):

A. If polling hours are extended by court order, the voter shall vote:

- For U.S. President, U.S. Representative and U.S. Senate **only** on a paper provisional ballot during the extended period. (No voting on the voting machine!)

B. Procedures to cast a paper provisional ballot for U.S. President, U.S. Representative and U.S. Senate:

Follow the procedures in Section IIID. for Precinct Voting.

C. When the commissioners close the polls on election night at the end of the court ordered extended poll hours, the following items are placed into the PROVISIONAL BALLOT – EXTENDED POLL HOURS ENVELOPE (PB-EX) and delivered to the clerk of court:

- a. PROVISIONAL BALLOT AFFIDAVIT ENVELOPES (AFF-PB) sealed by the extended hours voters;
- b. Unused provisional ballots; and
- c. Ballot number stubs from voted provisional ballots.

# ELECTION DAY **PROVISIONAL VOTING** PROCEDURES 2008 CLOSED CONGRESSIONAL **GENERAL** ELECTION

	Action	Result
<p>The voter's name is <b>NOT</b> in the Precinct Register, <b>contact the Registrar of Voters or contact the Secretary of State at 800-883-2805.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If the registrar or secretary of state determines that the voter's name was inadvertently omitted from the precinct register, the voter needs to complete a Precinct Register Correction (PRC) form.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Voter is allowed to vote for U.S. President, U.S. Representative and U.S. Senate on the <u>voting machine</u> - <b>VOTER IS <u>NOT</u> A PROVISIONAL VOTER.</b></li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If the registrar or secretary of state confirms that the voter is in the wrong precinct, encourage the voter to go to the correct precinct to vote. If he refuses, allow the voter to vote a <u>paper</u> provisional ballot for U.S. President, U.S. Representative and U.S. Senate.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Voter may cast a <u>paper</u> provisional ballot for U.S. President, U.S. Representative and U.S. Senate - <b>VOTER IS A PROVISIONAL VOTER.</b></li> <li>Voter is <b><u>NOT</u></b> allowed to vote on the voting machine.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If the registrar or secretary of state confirms that the voter is <b>NOT</b> eligible to vote, allow the voter to vote a <u>paper</u> provisional ballot for U.S. President, U.S. Representative and U.S. Senate.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Voter may cast a <u>paper</u> provisional ballot for U.S. President, U.S. Representative and U.S. Senate - <b>VOTER IS A PROVISIONAL VOTER.</b></li> <li>Voter is <b><u>NOT</u></b> allowed to vote on the voting machine.</li> </ul>

# ELECTION DAY PROVISIONAL VOTING PROCEDURES

## 2008 SPECIAL CONGRESSIONAL GENERAL ELECTION

	Action	Result
The voter's name is in the precinct register and "ADDRESS CONFIRMATION REQUIRED" is in the signature block.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Voter completes Address Confirmation (ACC) form;</li> <li>• If the voter indicates that it has been <b>more than 3 months</b> since he moved from the address listed in the precinct register to an address outside the parish;</li> <li>• Voter may <b>NOT</b> vote on the voting machine.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Voter may cast a <u>paper</u> provisional ballot for U.S. President, U.S. Representative and U.S. Senate - <b>VOTER IS A PROVISIONAL VOTER.</b></li> <li>• Voter is <b>NOT</b> allowed to vote on the voting machine.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Voter completes Address Confirmation (ACC) form;</li> <li>• If the voter indicates that he has NOT changed his address, has moved to a new address within the parish, or has moved to an address outside the parish <b>less than 3 months ago</b>; and</li> <li>• Voter provides photo identification.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Voter is allowed to vote for U.S. President, U.S. Representative and U.S. Senate on the <u>voting machine</u> - <b>VOTER IS NOT A PROVISIONAL VOTER.</b></li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Voter completes Address Confirmation (ACC) form;</li> <li>• If the voter indicates that he has NOT changed his address, has moved to a new address within the parish, or has moved to an address outside the parish <b>less than 3 months ago</b>; and</li> <li>• Voter <b>does NOT</b> provide photo identification.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Voter completes a Voter Identification Affidavit (AV-34) form; and</li> <li>• Voter is allowed to vote for U.S. President, U.S. Representative and U.S. Senate on the <u>voting machine</u> – <b>VOTER IS NOT A PROVISIONAL VOTER.</b></li> </ul>

# ELECTION DAY **PROVISIONAL VOTING** PROCEDURES

## 2008 CLOSED CONGRESSIONAL **GENERAL** ELECTION

	Action	Result
The voter's name is in the precinct register, but the voter is <b>challenged</b> .	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>If a challenge is made that the voter is ineligible to vote, and a majority vote of the commissioners determine that the challenge is <b>VALID</b>. (*If NOT VALID, proceed normally.)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Voter may cast a <u>paper</u> provisional ballot for U.S. President, U.S. Representative and U.S. Senate – <b>VOTER IS A PROVISIONAL VOTER</b>.</li><li>Voter is <b><u>NOT</u></b> allowed to vote on the voting machine.</li></ul>

# Provisional Voting

- For any additional information or questions on provisional voting for the Closed Congressional Elections, please contact

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